

GOOD GROWD SEES "BOX AND FOX"

The school entertainment last Friday night was well attended and all present were well rewarded for their patronage. The Barnes Orchestra played several selections while the seats were filling and then the curtain was raised and a stage-full of High School pupils was exposed. They sang two choruses: "The Lost Chord" and "Who Is Sylvia." This was followed by a scarf drill by the 7th and 8th grades. The drill was beautiful and well executed. It was encored and repeated. The next number was a song by Claude Melick. Young Melick has a good bass voice and his rendering "The Gypsy Trail" was so heartily encored that he was compelled to respond and sang "When the Bell in the Lighthouse rings ding-dong." Again he was called back and sang the last stanza of the same song.

The next number was by the girl's Sextette who sang "Bird in the Hand." This number had in it a thrill which quite carried the audience away. The sweet voices of the singers were very much appreciated and the song enjoyed. The Sextette moved backward to the limits of the stage and then all turned suddenly with faces to the wall—so it seemed, but, Horrors! faces were still looking at the audience, but such faces! No longer the faces of sweet sixteen with rosy cheeks, ruby lips and shining eyes, but comical caricatures of the human physiognomy representing the maiden lady of advanced age but still in the ring. The change so complete and sudden, quite took the breath away. The spinsters warbled and nodded and smirked, quite to the amusement of the audience and especially the younger part. The girls carried their number off with great success and were encored vociferously.

The Swedish Folk dance which followed was beautiful, indeed. The 7th and 8th grade girls tripped the measures of this dance with rare grace. Of course they had to repeat and then the spectators were not satisfied. It was very delightful to watch them, all moving together with perfect rhythm.

Then came the one act farce which gave the entertainment its name: "Box and Fox." The characters were well personated by young Messrs Claude Melick, Levi Montgomery and Walter Finney. Mrs. Bouncer (Walter Finney) had rented a room to two young men: Mr. Box (Claude Melick) and Mr. Fox (Levi Montgomery). One worked during the day and one at night but neither knew for a long time of the other. So good a thing as Mrs. Bouncer had could not last. Box and Fox were appropriating things from each other and both laying it onto Mrs. Bouncer as was quite natural. When the discovery was made that the room had dual occupancy, a fight was barely averted. Mrs. Bouncer kept the young men apart but she lost her roomers. Box and Fox left the stage arm in arm and in the most amicable frame of mind.

The receipts of the evening were \$47.00 to be used for the benefit of the high school basketball team.

HIGH SCHOOL CONTEST

The interest that has been expressed in the numerous high schools of the state in the contests to be held at Tucson during University week makes this gala event promise to be the largest ever held in the state. From all over the state come reports of the training of their baseball teams, their orators, their musicians, as well as those who are to show their skill in algebra, chemistry, home economics, physics, livestock judging, and other educational subjects.

J. Fred McKale, director of athletics at the University is a busy man making plans for the proper care of the visitors.

Decision Against Camerons

In the case of the United States vs the Camerons a decree has been issued by the federal court enjoining the defendants from further work on Cape Horn and Buttinsky mines without a Forest Service permit. The decree authorizes the retention of the buildings by the defendants and their use for mining purposes only, subject to a stay of thirty days for an appeal. The Camerons were fined \$5.00 each for conducting a livery business on the Buttinsky claim and were warned that further trespass would be followed by imprisonment.

Only One High Mass

Father Albuoy is spending this week in Williams. Sunday he will give one High Mass at 9 a. m. instead of two as has been customary. He also is giving services every morning at 8 a. m..

SCHOOL NOTES

Grade V

Several weeks ago the Chairman of the S. P. C. A. society called a meeting of the club for the purpose of electing officers.

The following officers were elected: Junior McConkey, President; Albert Ragan, Vice President; Verdi Barnes, Secretary; Elizabeth Kirwan, Treasurer.

At the last meeting of the club the President, Junior McConkey called the meeting to order, and after the Secretary read the minutes of the preceding meeting a very interesting program was given. Fred Udin read a paper on "The Care of Dogs," and Helen Beck and Vivian Spellmire told stories of dogs. The last number was a reading by Minnie Hughes.

Verdi Barnes, Secretary

Known as White Garage

The new garage at the corner of Railroad Ave and Second Street will hereafter be known as the White Garage and Machine Shop. The two street fronts of the building will be painted white.

Pleaded Guilty

Mr. C. H. Hall who was arrested on the charge of appropriating a perfectly good saddle belonging to W. J. Parker had his hearing in Judge Button's court this morning at 9:30. The charge against Hall was changed from grand to petit larceny because it was decided that the saddle appropriated was worth less than \$50. Hall pleaded guilty to the charge of petit larceny and Judge Button deferred sentence till tomorrow to give Hall a chance to arrange for his fine.

L. A. DRAMATIC CO. HAS GOOD PROGRAM

The Santa Fe entertainment Monday night by the Los Angeles Concert and Dramatic Co. was excellent but would have been better but for the absence of the Peycke sisters who missed the train and were left behind. These young women supply the reading and dramatic features of the company. Miss Adams, cornetist, and Miss Robbins, piano soloist, are good and they exerted themselves to their utmost to fill up the gap made by the missing members.

The Sultana Theatre was filled to overflowing by an appreciative audience and the performance was very well received and the entertainers received a full measure of applause. The program is a good one and all who were of the audience Monday night would be pleased to hear it all.

Methodist News

Friday night the Sunday School will hold an indoor picnic: A real old fashioned picnic only it will be held indoors. Bring a regular basket lunch. Games start at 7:30 P. M..

Everybody is working for a big Easter Day. Full program in next weeks paper.

Hats for every occasion, Sailor Hats, Sport Hats, Dress Hats. For Ladies, Misses and Children. See us before you buy.

Racket Store

ART EXHIBIT

The Art Department of the Woman's Club will hold an exhibit of prints. Reproductions of famous paintings. At the Parish House Thursday afternoon, April 5th. Non Club members 25 cents. School children 10 cents.

Sold His Garland Prairie Ranch

Ed Hamilton has sold his Garland Prairie ranch and herd of cattle to Cook and Early, the former of Prescott and the latter of Missouri. These gentlemen have taken over the property and Mr. Hamilton is moving his family into Williams.

Ed Hamilton has made a decided success in the cattle business. By close attention to his stock interests he has added to his assets a matter of \$45,000 in seven years. Believing that he was carrying too much of a burden he decided to close out the ranch and give more attention to other matters. As soon as he has his family comfortably settled he will make a business trip to California and later he will take his family back to Kentucky and Virginia for a visit.

A Valuable Property Changes Hands

Mr. Martin Buggeln has bought Lots 10, 11 and 12; Block 15, Williams, from the Saginaw & Manistee Lumber Co.. This is one of the best building sites in town. The News has not learned whether Mr. Buggeln intends to build on these lots in the near future.

County Attorney Wilson was in town today conducting the State case against C. H. Hall.

A REAL COUNTESS IN WILLIAMS, MONDAY

Autoing From California to Denver Obligated to Ship Car To Flagstaff

An Austrian Countess in town! Such an announcement might have caused a little commotion in Williams had it been published, but the real Countess passed thru quietly and it was by mere chance that the reporter of the News met the Countess and got her story.

Mrs. W. O. Wood, Countess of Stoffel, is a patriotic American notwithstanding her title. She is patriotic and glories in her American citizenship, and at the present time when her adopted country is being forced into war by the barbaric assault of Germany on American citizens, she seeks an opportunity to do something in her country's cause, and that's why she is hastening back to her Denver home.

A Bit of Romance

How the Countess of Stoffel became Mrs. W. O. Wood, an American citizen, is a very interesting story well worth the telling but it only can be very briefly sketched here. It is not unusual for titled men of European countries to seek American wives, and they can't be blamed for doing so, for American women make the best wives in the world, rendered doubly attractive to titled suitors by the million dollar "dot" which they take with them to their European homes. The virtues of the American husband have not appealed with equal strength to European women of title and very few of them have married Americans. Fortune, however, brought the Countess of Stoffel into contact with Americans of both sexes and she was so favorably impressed by the American men she entertained at her castle that she resolved, as she says in her frank way, to get one for her husband. Fate led Mr. W. O. Wood, an American manufacturer and globe trotter, to the Stoffel castle and the Countess recognized in him the qualities she wished in a husband and later they were married and she came to America to live. Seven years ago Mr. Wood died and now Mrs. Wood, Countess of Stoffel, owner of a factory in Philadelphia, a large ranch 80 miles south-east of Denver and a home in Santa Monica, California, besides estates in Switzerland, is a widow whose wealth makes her skeptical of mere man and she will not marry again for fear her wealth is the lodestone which attracts the other sex and not her own comely person and generally attractive personality.

The Wigwag Ranch

In order to gratify her passion for the out-of-doors, Mr. Wood bought his Countess wife a 1,500 acre ranch 80 miles south-east of Denver. The ranch is known as the Wigwag ranch and here Mrs. Wood spends a considerable portion of each year living the life of a vertiable cowboy. She discards skirts and with chaps, high-heeled boots adorned with spurs and a broad-brimmed hat, fits into ranch scenery very appropriately. The Countess is not a bronco-buster, she says, but she rides easily and (Continued on Page Five)

Will Take Kingman Position

Mr. R. J. Connor who recently resigned the position of Manager of the Clothing and Dry-Goods Department of Babbitt-Polson's Williams store will probably take the same position with Lovin & Withers at Kingman. Mr. Connor informed the News that while no contract had been signed with the Kingman people, it was practically settled that he would go to work for them.

Met and Discussed Plans

The publicity committee of the Williams Development Association met last night and discussed plans for advertising Williams as a summer resort and as a point of scenic and historic interest. Messrs R. C. Wente and E. A. Miller were appointed as a committee of two to have direct charge of the committee's publicity work. The committee will meet again next Tuesday night.

Plan to Visit Coleman Lake Next Sunday

The Executive Committee of the Williams Development Association intends to visit Coleman Lake next Sunday for the purpose of looking over the ground in the interest of the proposed improvements. They wish to get an estimate of cost so as to be able to make a report at the regular monthly meeting of the Association, Tuesday, April 10.

Remember The Election

The school election of School District No. 2 (Williams) will be held Saturday, next, the polls being open from 10 a. m. until 6 p. m.. Three candidates are in the field: Smith Beck, W. D. Finney and C. S. Patterson. Voters should be careful to vote for only one candidate. To vote for more will be to lose the vote.

Seriously Ill

Little Catharine McConkey who has been quite ill for several days, is reported this evening to be in a serious condition. Dr. A. H. Sherman of Flagstaff has been called into consultation by Dr. Jeffries and he is in town to-day.

A Plenty of Water

The Williams Water & Electric Co. reports that water is running freely into their reservoir and that the prospect for future water is so good that they are not trying to fill their pond at present, but are letting the water pass into the reservoirs below. Their reservoir is about one third full. There is no question, they say, that their reservoir will be filled later.

Often In Court

Joe Palmer, the young Mexican who works at the Cabinet, is establishing quite a court record. A few weeks ago he was in police court charged with boot-legging. This case is still in court. Last week Joe was again in court charged with firing off a revolver within the town limits. He was convicted of the offense charged and he is out on bail. This morning Joe was again in court, charged this time with carrying brass knucks. Joe pleaded guilty to the charge and Judge Button gave him \$25 and 30 days.

Mr. Luther, traveling salesman for Dinkelspiel of San Francisco, was a Williams visitor to-day.

P. P. P. SPECIAL VISITS WILLIAMS SUN.

A Trainload of Genial El Paso Business Men Seeking Closer Commercial Relations With Arizona Dealers.—Editor Herald Interviewed

The Pep, Push and Progress Special carrying a trainload of El Paso business men reached Williams on schedule Sunday night at 7:30. The Texans were welcomed very cordially by Williams people who were assembled in large numbers at the station when the train arrived. The Barnes Boys Band played selections which were highly appreciated by the town's guests and they remarked on the youth of some of the members and especially on the fact that mere school girls were members of the band and played their instruments with commendable skill.

The military band which accompanied the Boosters favored Williams citizens with selections on arrival and later in the evening gave a free concert in the Sultana theatre. The entertainment of the military band was a rare treat and it was thoroly appreciated by the audience which filled the theatre.

Mr. Reese, proprietor of the Sultana, extended the hospitality of his theatre to the El Pasoans and they witnessed the screen entertainment of the evening. After the performance the town's guests received a formal welcome, L. S. Williams delivering the address. The response was given by H. D. Slater, editor in chief of the El Paso Herald. The Special left for Flagstaff at 8:30 Monday morning.

Mr. Slater Talks

The News was fortunate in being able to interview Mr. Slater in regard to El Paso and the situation along the border. El Paso has become a real metropolis with commercial interests of vast importance. She has business buildings as large as can be found almost anywhere and as modern, too. About 30 per cent of El Paso's trade came from Mexico before the revolutions set in, Mr. Slater said, and El Paso feels the unsettled conditions seriously. The city has grown, however, with remarkable rapidity and when settled conditions obtain again, Mexican trade will give an impetus to El Paso which will set her a long way forward.

Mr. Slater sees no settlement of Mexico's troubles in the near future. He anticipates that revolution will follow revolution for years to come. Of course, no one can tell what may come out of the European war. We may become embroiled with Mexico with what result can not be forecasted. Mr. Slater discredits the statements that a large number of Germans are across the line—enough to make us serious trouble. He thinks the reports of German activity in Mexico have been greatly exaggerated.

The Purpose of the Special

Mr. Slater said the purpose of El Paso business men in the "Pep, Push and Progress" movement was to cultivate friendly relations with merchants and business men generally in Arizona and to try to (Continued on Last Page)